

**IN THE UNITED STATES  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**PATENT APPLICATION****Inventors:** Erfani et al.**Case:** Erfani 3-26-22**Serial No.:** 09/895,948      **Group Art Unit:** 2633**Filing Date:** June 2, 2001**Examiner:** Curs, Nathan M.**Title:** Advanced Signaling System for Switching and Control in  
Integrated Optical Networks**Commissioner for Patents**  
**Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

**Office Action Response**

**Sir:**

In response to the Office Action dated April 15, 2004 and received in regard to the above-captioned application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.